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"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm" (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

Please Note: I am currently on detail to the EPA Region 10 office in Portland, Oregon until July 23, 2016. Thank you!



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As someone who has logged many hours in streams fishing for Salmon and Steelhead and been a several decade ODFW volunteer building fish ladders and improving Riparian and in- stream habitat, I know a bit about Rivers. I know that when a river flushes sediment during high water yrs. that sediment doesn't just disappear..it finds an eddy or softer flow area to re-lodge in. In this case of the EPA plan, it would move from the Willamette to slower portions of the Columbia..only to pollute the quieter areas which serve as rearing and refuge areas for juvenile fish. Is this really the best we can do?..to be adding more pollution to the already endangered and critically important Columbia Estuary. This plan clearly favors the Big Polluters and shows the influence they can buy. Further, it relies on weather events, high water flows, to improve the Willamette, at the very time these weather events are likely to become more scarce.

I urge you to reconsider your plan. Remove and safely store(out of river)more of the contaminated sediments.

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